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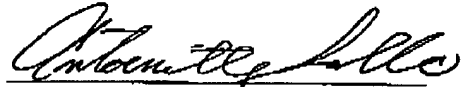
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

App. No.:	10/825,396	Att'y Docket:	EH-11105 (04-128)
Filing Date:	April 15, 2004	Conf No.:	8466
Inventor(s):	Jacob A. Snyder et al.	Group Art Unit:	1725
Assignee:	United Technologies Corporation	Examiner:	K. Lin
Title:	METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING INVESTMENT CASTING SHELLS		

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 26, 2005, for which a response is due on June 26, 2005.

Restriction

Restriction was required as follows:

- I. Claims 1-25, drawn to a method of forming an investment mold, classified in class 164, subclass 516.
- II. Claim 26, drawn to a system for forming an investment casting mold, classified in class 164, subclass 338.1.

Applicants elect Group I with traverse. Traverse is on the grounds that examination of all the claims would not present an undue burden. Although separately classified, it is likely that the search classes would fully or substantially overlap.

Election

Election was required as follows:

- I. Claim 1

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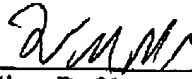
## II Claims 15 and 22

Applicants elect the invention of the species of claim 1 with traverse. Claims 1-14 are believed to read upon the elected species. Traverse is on the grounds that examination of all the claims would not present an undue burden. Although distinct, the species are sufficiently related so as to be examinable together.

Accordingly, if the requirement is withdrawn, claims 1-14 will be examined. If not withdrawn, claims 1-26 will be examined.

Accordingly, Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance. Please charge any fees or deficiency or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account of record.

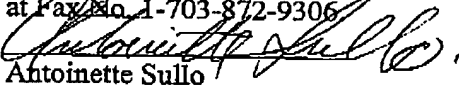
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